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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 (currently amended). A belt force measuring device, comprising:

- a measuring spring, the expansion of which is a measure of the belt force;
- a detector <u>magnet</u> which is arranged on <u>and directly attached to a first integral section of</u> the measuring spring in fixed relation to a first bearing of the measuring spring; and
- a sensor element which is <u>arranged on and</u> directly attached to <u>a second integral section of</u> the measuring spring in fixed relation to a second bearing of the measuring spring, the measuring spring being arranged and formed such that it expands between the first and second <u>bearing integral sections of the measuring spring</u> as a function of the belt force.
- 2 (original). The belt force measuring device according to claim 1, wherein the measuring spring is arranged such that expansion as a function of the belt force is limited by a play of a locking tab mounted with the play in a housing of the belt force measuring device.
- 3 (currently amended). The belt force measuring device according to claim 1, wherein the measuring spring is <u>pivotably</u> mounted <u>flexibly in by</u> the first and second <u>bearings</u> bearing.
- 4 (currently amended). The belt force measuring device according to claim 1, wherein the <u>magnetdetector</u> is located on the measuring spring so that it cannot rotate.
- 5 (original). The belt force measuring device according to claim 1, wherein the sensor element is located on the measuring spring so it that cannot rotate.
- 6 (currently amended). The belt force measuring device according to claim 1, wherein the measuring spring is formed as a leaf spring from spring steel strip and said first and second integral sections have recesses receiving said magnet and said sensor element.